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1. The communication filed 12/03/02 (com) is informal/non-responsive for the reason(s) checked below and must be corrected.

APPLICANT IS GIVEN A ONE MONTH TIME PERIOD FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER WITHIN WHICH TO CORRECT THE INFORMALITY. EXTENSIONS OF TIME MAY BE OBTAINED UNDER THE PROVISIONS 37 CFR 1.136(a).

a. The amendment to claim(s) 13, 15, 23 and 26, filed 12/03/02, fails to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121 and is accordingly held to be non-responsive. A supplemental paper correcting the informal portions and complying with 37 CFR 1.121 is required. (see Below)

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3. Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119 which papers have been made of record in the file.

4. Other:

* The "marked-up" version of the claims does not correspond to the "clean" versions of the claim in AT LEAST the above noted claims. It appears that the word --metal-- was omitted at least 4 times. Correction of this omission is required.

John Rector

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